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**ON PETITION**

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c), filed February 16, 2007, to accept the unintentionally delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.


The petition is **GRANTED**.

The patent issued February 27, 2001. The last day of the grace period for paying the 3.5-year maintenance fee was February 27, 2005. Therefore, since this petition was filed within twenty-four months after the six-month grace period provided in 37 CFR 1.362(e), this petition was timely filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.378(c).

**The maintenance fee is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.**

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3206.

The patent file is being forwarded to Files Repository.

  
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